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Dear FDA,

We continue to read about food-caused illness and deaths in our country. At this time wish to address our concerns about salmonella poisonings which arise from contaminated eggs. The relevant Docket Numbers are 98N-1230, 96P-0197 and 96-P0418.

It's clear that the major method of reducing salmonella in eggs is best accomplished by reducing it at its source - the hens. By outlawing the forced molting of hens, their immune systems would be less compromised and their eggs more fit for human consumption.

In addition to reducing contamination in our food supply, more humane treatment of these hens would occur if they were not forced into unnatural molding. This is an admirable goal for a civilized society.

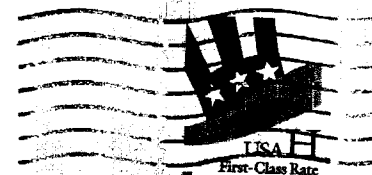
We ask you to please make forced molting illegal. Many thanks for your consideration from Tom and

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